



November 7 & 8, 2009, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Liturgy and Prayer

Sunday Liturgy: Saturday, 5:00 pm;
Sunday, 9:00 am and 6:00 pm
Daily Liturgy: Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8:00 am
Morning Prayer: Following Daily Liturgy
**Eucharistic Adoration
and Reconciliation:**
Wednesday, 6:00 to 7:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Taize Prayer: First Sunday, 7:30 pm

Gatherings of Grace

Our parish has an intergenerational model of faith formation called Gatherings of Grace. All generations meet together the second Wednesday of each month, September through May.

Bulletin Announcements

Please email to bulletin@olbh.org by
Tuesday noon for the following Sunday
bulletin.

Sparks From Fr. Mark

Last week in my Sparks I said that we, as a parish community, will have an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on every Wednesday's from 8:00 am to 6:30 pm. I know these times do not fit into every one's schedule with school, family, work, and other commitments, but it is a start. Perhaps in the future we will need increase the hours on Wednesday, now wouldn't that be great. Below, I've included some "food for thought".

12 Reasons to Spend One Hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

1. He is really there!

"I myself Am the Living Bread come down from Heaven." (Jn 6:35)

2. Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because of his Infinite love for you!

"Behold I will be with you always even to the end of the world," because "I have loved you with an everlasting love, and constant is My affection for you." (Mt 28:20; Jer 31:3)

3. The specific way that Jesus asks you to love Him in return is to spend one quiet hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart...." "Could you not watch one hour with Me?" (Mt 6:21; 26:40)

4. When you look upon the Sacred Host, you look upon Jesus, the Son of God.

"Indeed, this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks upon the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life. Him I will raise up on the last day." (Jn 6:40)

5. Each moment that you spend in His Eucharistic Presence will increase His Divine Life within you and deepen your personal relationship and friendship with Him.

"I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly." "I am the Vine and you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in Him shall bear much fruit because without Me, you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5)

6. Each hour you spend with Jesus will deepen His Divine Peace in your heart.

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." "Cast all of you anxieties upon the One who cares for you..." "My Peace is My Gift to you." (Mt 11:28; 5:7; Jn 14:17)

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Growing and Celebrating through the Teachings of Jesus Christ

This Week at Our Lady of the Black Hills

Monday, November 9

Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome

Genesis 28:11-18; Psalms 84:3, 4, 5-6, 8, 11; First Corinthians 3:9-13, 16-17 Luke 19:1-10 (white)

8:00 am Daily Liturgy - (Intention: For improved health of Hailie Raterman)
4:30 pm: Lumko Group

Tuesday, November 10

Memorial of St. Leo the Great, pope and doctor

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Psalms 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Luke 17:7-10 (white)

8:00 am Daily Liturgy-Fr Ray's intentions
10:30 am: Staff Holy Hour
7:00 pm: Returning Catholics

Wednesday, November 11

Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
Wisdom 6:2-11; Psalms 82:3-4, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19 (white)

8:00 am Daily Liturgy - (Intention: Healing for those who have been affected by sexual abuse.)
8:30 am – 6:30 pm Adoration
9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry
6:30 pm: Gatherings of Grace – “Attitude of Gratitude”

Thursday, November 12

Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Wisdom 7:22-8:1; Psalms 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Luke 17:20-25 (red)

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy (Intention: For Tom Ryan)
10:00 am: Staff Meeting

Friday, November 13

Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 17:26-37 (green)

No Daily Liturgy

8:30 Women's Lumko group

Saturday Morning, November 14

Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Psalms 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Luke 18:1-8 (green)

No Daily Liturgy

9:00 am – noon: Food Pantry

3:30 – 4:30 pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Reflection Questions for Next Sunday

Jesus will come again.

Children: If Jesus came to visit you today, what would you do? What would say? How would you act?

Youth: If today was your last day, what would you be most thankful for? What would you regret?

Adults: If today was your last, what would you do with it?

Saturday Evening, November 14

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalms 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32 (green)

5:00 pm: Sunday Liturgy (Intention: For Married Couples)

Sunday, November 15

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalms 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32 (green)

9:00 am: Sunday Liturgy (Intention: For the wisdom of discernment)

10:00 am: Coffee Hour Hosted by the Blauvelt Family

4:00 pm: Edge & Life Teen

4:00 – 8:00 pm: Directory Pictures (call 787-5168 for appointment)

6:00 pm: Sunday Liturgy (Intention: For Our OLBH Community)

Blessing of Couples Married in November This Weekend

Intercessory Prayers

Life and Health Concerns:

Bob Besse, Pat Geary, Loretta Grassel, Hailie Raterman, Keith Robison, Maria Sepulveda, Steve Van Asma & Logan Vice

Repose:

Sharon Bunch, Gladys Doyle, Lawrence Engelhardt, Andrew Klein, Gene Kraft Dorothy Norman, Donald Norman, Fr. Dave Orians, Benno Roller, Jack Smith & Tita Tudit

Collection Report

October 31st & November 1st

Loose	\$ 2346.95
Envelopes.....	2790.00
Votive.....	8.00
Student.....	72.59
Other	222.51
Total.....	\$ 5440.05

Mass Ministry Schedule

Nov. 14 & 15	5:00 pm	9:00 am	6:00 pm
Bread Baker	Marlys Sears	Coffee Hour: Van Asma Family	
Altar Servers	Joe Schulte* Michael Linde Matthew Linde	Olivia Lyle* Andrew Corbine Aric Dyczek	Austin Evans* Paige Gehlsen Taylor Thies
Precious Body	Reggie Hunt	Dennis Fischer	Denise McCormick
Precious Blood	Kathleen Amiotte Beth Anne Ferley Jayme Hunt Joni Osnes	Christine Didriksen Gary Erickson Barb Erickson Sharon Long	Tanya McCaskell Jim McCormick Judy Nelson Kevin Rohrbach
Lectors	Carrie Baker Pete Linde	Donna Boner Pauline Stoffel	Curt Lauinger Tony Berendse
Sacristans	Patty Cresalia Charlie Cresalia	Marc Jacobs Brenda Jacobs	John Wang Cathy Wang
Ushers	Kevin Conway Doris Hume	Frank Boner Robert Dyczek	Don Everson Brad McCaskell
Choir	OLBH Choir	Regina's Minstrels	The Covenant Band

The heart has its reasons, which reason does not know.

~ Blaise Pascal

Sparks continued...

7. Jesus will give you all the Graces you need to be happy!

"The Lamb on the Throne will shepherd them. He will lead them to the springs of life-giving water." (Rev 7:17)

8. Jesus is infinitely deserving of our unceasing thanksgiving and adoration for all He has done for our salvation.

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive honor, glory and praise." (Rev. 5:12)

9. For Peace in our country!

"When My people humble themselves and seek My Presence... I will revive their land." (2Chr 7:14)

10. Each hour you spend with Jesus on earth will leave your soul everlastingly more beautiful and glorious in heaven!

"They who humble themselves shall be exalted...."
"All of us, gazing on the Lords glory with unveiled faces, are being transformed from glory to glory into His very image." (Lk 18:14; 2Cor 3:18)

11. Jesus will bless you, your family and the whole world for this hour of faith you spend with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"Blessed are they who do not see and yet believe..."
"Faith can move mountains..." "What is needed is trust..." "Behold I come to make all things new." (Jn 20:29; Mk 11:23; Mk 5:36; Rev 21:5)

12. Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to His Sacred Heart!

"My joy, My pleasure, My delight is to be with you." (Prov 8:31)

Eucharistic Adoration by: Pope John Paul II

I encourage Christians regularly to visit Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament, for we are all called to abide in the presence of God. In contemplation, Christians will perceive ever more profoundly the mystery at the heart of Christian life.

Teach young people the value of Eucharistic Adoration.

I urge priests, religious and lay people to continue and redouble their efforts to teach the younger generations the meaning and value of Eucharistic adoration and devotion. How will young people be able to know the Lord if they are not introduced to the mystery of His presence? Like the young Samuel, by learning the words of the prayer of the heart, they will be closer to the Lord, who will accompany them in their spiritual and human growth. The Eucharistic mystery is in fact the "summit of evangelization" (Lumen Gentium) for it is the most eminent testimony to Christ's resurrection. (Source <http://www.medjugorje.org>)



OLBH Parish News

Do You Like to Type?

The OLBH office is looking for a few people who would like to help with typing projects. Right now we have two big projects that need to be typed. If you would like to help, please contact Betsy in the parish office at 787-5168.

Please, Baby Sitters Needed!

We are looking for several people to help with babysitting for the RCIA class that is held on Sundays from 10:15 to 12:00. If you can help please call the parish office at 787-5168.

Still Looking for Photographers

Do you enjoy taking pictures? We need photographers who would like to occasionally take pictures of various families in our parish. We are taking any professional or amateur photographers who would like to help. If you are one of them, please call Betsy in the office, 787-5168.

World Youth Day Madrid Spain

August 11-22, 2011, for ages 18-35, Cost: \$3,050.00. Registration opens January 15th, 2010, and closes when 40 spaces are filled. Non-refundable deposit of \$250.00 is due upon acceptance to the pilgrimage. More information to come. Contact Teresa Thompson, 787-5168

Canned Food Item

Please bring any canned food items to Gatherings of Grace, this Wednesday, November 11th. The canned items we collect will go to our Piedmont Valley Food Pantry; which helps to distribute food to local families in need all year long including food for Thanksgiving and Christmas. This month's Gatherings of Grace theme is Thanksgiving: Attitude & Gratitude.

Catholic Family Book Club Book Orders Due Nov 16

Interested in ordering good children's books for Christmas giving? The Catholic Family Book Center, a subdivision of Paulist Press, has developed a catalog which will make it easier; please look for it in this week's bulletin. You can choose from 38 books, both paperback and hard covers, which are of good quality. The subjects in the books are: Christmas, Advent, Bible stories, saints, prayers, sacraments, and other topics. These are priced from \$2.50 (for a set of 2) through \$12.75 for a children's *Bible*, and there is no charge for shipping. If you would like to order, please leave your completed order blank and check made out to OLBH in either the parish office or in the designated box in the library. **We must receive your order by 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov 16.** We will notify you when books arrive so you can pick them up in the parish office. For every \$50 purchased, the library will receive a book to add to their collection.

Books for Sale in OLBH Library Now

OLBH Parishioners have a chance to buy some good, used books on an ongoing basis now. Thanks to donations of books from the Sisters at St Martin Monastery, Tom Reeve, and other anonymous donors, we've established a used bookcase in the library for your browsing. It contains used books on religious themes which are similar to the ones already in the library or are ones which don't have sturdy enough bindings for the ongoing usage of continued library checkouts. Look to your hearts' content, leave a donation for those you select, and enjoy some good reading. And standby for a really BIG used book sale in December!

Diocesan News

Christian Family Planning Seminar

The last one for 2009, will be offered by the Natural Family Planning Ministry on **Saturday, November 21st at St. Joseph's in Spearfish.** *This seminar is a requirement for engaged couples getting married in the Diocese of Rapid City.* Married couples, or anyone who wants to learn more about Natural Family Planning, are encouraged to attend. For more information, or to register, call Jill or Kathy at Family Life Ministries at 605.343.3541.

IHM SEMINARY VISIT

On November 20-23, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona, MN, and the Office of Vocations will host a Live-In Weekend for young men who are juniors/seniors in high school and college-age students who are interested in knowing more about the seminary life. The Live-In schedule will include a tour of the campus, discussions, meals and prayer with the college seminarians, plus attendance at classes and time for recreation. There is **No Charge** for the weekend. We will leave on Friday, November 20, and return on Monday, November 23. For further information, please contact Fr. Brian Christensen, Director of Vocations at (605) 484-8940 or Godscall@diorc.org. Registration forms available at www.Gods-call.org.

Discernment Retreat for Women

Silence, Mass, Confession, Fellowship, Conferences, Spiritual Direction. For women ages 17-35 who desire to grow in their capacity to discern God's activity in their hearts and discover the beautiful vocation dwelling within. Retreat directors will be Fr. Paul Hoelsing, Fr. Paul Rutten, Fr. Scott Traynor, and Jessi Kary, AO. From Friday, December 4, to Sunday, December 6, at the Broom Tree Retreat Center in Irene, SD. Cost: \$100. Registration due Nov. 25. To register or to apply for a scholarship, contact Jessi Kary, AO, at jessica@prosancity.org or 402-651-3613. For more information, contact Susan Safford, Office of Vocations, ssafford@diorc.org, 605-343-3541.

From the Diocesan Pro-Life Commission

"To guarantee persons and nations the possibility of overcoming the plague of hunger means to ensure their concrete access to healthy and adequate nourishment. It is, in fact, a concrete manifestation of the right to life, which, though solemnly proclaimed, often continues to be far from full realization."

Pope Benedict XVI, Message for World Food Day,
Oct. 16, 2009 www.vatican.va

Annual Diocesan Appeal 2010

Sow Bountifully Reap Bountifully

The tax laws for the year 2009 allow a person age 70½ or older to make charitable contributions directly to a charitable organization from an IRA account. In doing so, one does not report a withdrawal as income and would not include the gift as a deduction. This makes it very easy to use your IRA funds to make charitable contributions and in some instances reduces your taxes. You can make your gifts to your parish or the annual diocesan appeal in this way if you meet the qualifications. It is possible that this will be extended to the 2010 tax year so please talk to your tax professional



Rachel's Corner

"Women of abortion, do not stop living. Do not give in to despair. Do not let fear imprison you and prevent you from accepting the forgiving words of Jesus. There is hope for your future!" - Pope John Paul II (paraphrased)

The pope understood the hearts of post-abortive women. Hope and healing through Jesus can be found at a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™. Contact Carol Kling for information about area retreats at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com or go to the diocesan website: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/Ministries/FamilyLife.htm. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org.

For the Ride Home

By Ted Bergh

Scripture

- ❖ 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, (1 Kings 17:14)
- ❖ The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry (Psalm 146:7)
- ❖ But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. (9:26)
- ❖ For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty (Mark 12:44)

Refection

- ❖ Have you ever felt called to do something by God?
- ❖ Have you ever thought that you should put your best talents and significant effort to a worthy but unprofitable cause?
- ❖ Have you ever devoted effort that did not return a direct benefit to you and in fact may have cost you opportunity or personal gain?
- ❖ Have you sacrificed your lifestyle for a cause that others thought was a waste of your time and ability?

Middle class rich boy that I was, I never would have thought that it would be the poor who would be my salvation. Owing to the upbringing that I had received at my mother's hands, as well as the attitude of the church I had been attending up until that time, I had always thought that it was the rich and well-to-do who would be the ones to rescue the poor. The latter depended on us, and our generosity was their salvation. Without us they would have been destined to death.

What blindness was ours and mine! The truth was just the contrary, and now life was demonstrating this to me. It was the poor who would be my salvation, and not I theirs.¹

¹ Carretto, Carlo, *I Francis*, Orbis, Maryknoll: NY, 2004, P. 8.